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SUBJ: BASING OF USAF FORCES IN EUROPE (SPAIN)

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1. TERMINATION OF THE ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY THE 401ST
TFW HAS OPERATED AT TORREJON WITH THE SAME TYPE OF AIRCRAFT
AS THE SPANISH TOUCHES A POTENTIALLY SENSITIVE NERVE.
THEREFORE, UPON RECEIPT OF THE REFERENCED TELEGRAM, CHIEF
JUSMG UNDERTOOK IMMEDIATELY TO BEGIN SOUNDINGS DIRECTLY
AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF THE SPANISH AIR FORCE, INCLUDING
ADVISING THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE SPANISH AIR FORCE OF OUR
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INTENDED ACTION. THUS FAR WE HAVE NO INDICATION OF A
NEGATIVE REACTION, BUT THE SPANISH AIR FORCE STILL HAS THE
MATTER UNDER STUDY FROM THE STANDPOINT OF CONSISTENCY WITH
THE 1976 TREATY. CHIEF JUSMG HAS ASSURED SENIOR SPANISH
AIR FORCE OFFICERS OF THE HIGH DEGREE OF COMMONALITY
BETWEEN THE F-4C AND F-4D AND THAT THE CHANGE IS CONSISTENT
WITH THE TREATY.

2. WE SEE DISADVANTAGES IN PRESSING FOR AN URGENT RESPONSE
FROM THE SPANISH AIR FORCE AND IN RAISING THE ISSUE WITH
THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE MINISTERS UNTIL WE HAVE
TALKED FURTHER WITH THE AIR FORCE. WOULD APPRECIATE
KNOWING HOW SOON AN ANSWER IS REQUIRED. TODMAN

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